

PHOTO: Bow T-Ball Program Spring 2015. Staff photo.





Seated left to right: Town
Manager David Stack, Board
of Selectmen Chairman Harry
Judd, and Vice-Chair Eric
Anderson. Standing left to
right: Selectman Colleen
Hunter, Selectman
Christopher Nicolopoulos,
Selectman Benjamin Kiniry,
and Administrative Assistant
Nicole Gage.

# **July 2017 Edition**

Welcome to the monthly bulletin from the Town of Bow! As part of our commitment to keep citizens informed and involved in the community, we hope you find this information useful from the Bow Board of Selectmen, Town Manager, Departments and Committees.

- View the Town of Bow's new <u>Community Calendar</u>. Send us your event information to add to the calendar, too!
- Follow the public meeting schedule.
- Sign up for Town of Bow notifications via text and/or email through our new portal, <u>NotifyMe (R)</u>.
- Follow us on various social media channels.

# **Bow Safety Center Open House July 13th**

The new Bow Safety Center at 7 Knox Road is now complete. Come to the Open House

and take a tour with Police, Fire and Emergency Management on Thursday, July 13th, 4:00 to 7:00 PM (with ribbon cutting at 4:00 PM).



Photo by Eric Anderson.

# **Town Manager's Report**

As reported to the Board of Selectmen at their June 27, 2017 Meeting.

## **Birchdale Road Bridge Project**

NH DOT has approved the bid phase/administration agreement with Dubois & King and the project is now out to bid. A pre-bid meeting is scheduled for July 10. Bids are due and will be opened on July 18, and the contract and Notice to Proceed will be issued on August 1.



#### **Community Building**

There are currently two options under review for the building:

- 1. Bring the building into compliance with all life safety codes, electrical codes and ADA compliance but not change any of the interior floor plan
- 2. Fully renovate the building, change the floorplan, and potentially add on a full-sized gym.

Once all of the information is pulled together, it will be presented to the Board for review.

### **Old Town Hall Accessibility Project**

The Bow Rotary Club and Bow Community Men's Club are partnering up with other Town organizations to put together a project to make the building accessible. At the beginning of June, Cheryl Killam, an Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) compliance consultant, met with incoming Rotary Club President Judy Goodnow, Men's Club member Warren Perry, and the Town Manager to review the accessibility of the building. Per ADA standards, existing facilities do not have to be fully accessible, but access to all programs must be provided in the most integrated setting. Meetings open to the public must be located in accessible facilities. The main entrance of the building was found to be in non-compliance, as were the bathrooms. In order to achieve compliance with ADA requirements, an access ramp needs to be built, the entrance door replaced, and two bathrooms need to be combined into one single accessible bathroom. There are other minor changes that need to be made to the interior, however this first step is most important. This project will enable all members of the public to access the building and the programs that are offered. The project plan will be submitted to the Board for approval.

## **Municipal Building Facility Needs Analysis**

We are currently in the process of developing an RFP process to choose a firm to conduct a full building analysis of the facility. The study will include a review of the existing services provided at the building, a current and future space needs analysis, and a determination as to the adequacy of the building structure and HVAC systems. Estimates will be developed for any work that will need to be done to the building.

Contact the **Town Manager's office**.

# **Baker Free Library**

## Library as a Passport Acceptance Facility starting July 10th

The Baker Free Library has been approved by the US Department of State to be a Passport Acceptance Facility starting on 7/10! We are only the 2nd library in the state to receive approval (Dover Public Library started their program in January 2017). This means that if you need to apply for a NEW passport, you can do so at our library. You need to bring all appropriate documentation and a color passport photo. We hope to offer the ability to generate passport photos later this year. An extra fee of \$25 is assessed to have us accept your passport, but those monies stay at our library to fund our services. Passport applications can be accepted anytime we are open, until a half hour before we close. We encourage you to email or call ahead and make an appointment so that you don't have a wait time. Questions? Contact info@bakerfreelib.org or call (603) 224-7113. For information on passport documentation needed, visit <a href="https://travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/passports.html">https://travel.state.gov/content/passports/en/passports.html</a>.

Visit the **Baker Free Library website**.

# **Community Development Department**

The Department is pleased to announce that Robert Pike has been hired as the Town's Building Inspector. Bob grew up here in Bow and has many years of practical experience. Bob has filled in on a temporary basis for the past few months and we are very fortunate that he accepted the permanent position.

The Planning Board recently approved a site plan to permit Berube's Truck Accessories to double the size of its facility on Tallwood Drive with a 7,500 square foot addition.

A building permit was recently issued for Bow Auto Parts to expand its facility on Route 3A with a new office building and warehouse space, adding an additional 12,000 square feet of floor space.

A permit was also issued for Geddes Building Movers to construct a new 10,000 square foot facility on Gordon Road.

Construction is ongoing on several other commercial sites, including work on a new facility for Granite State Solar on Ryan Road, Audley Construction's office park development on Route 3A, and an expansion at Bow Recycling Center on River Road.

Construction has also started on Pinnacle Lane, a new private road that will serve twelve new homes off Dunbarton Center Road.



Bow Auto Parts begins construction, expanding their facility with a new office building and warehouse space on Route 3A.

# **Police Department**

Chief Lougee, Det./Sgt. Blanchette, and Officer Carpenter received words of thanks for assisting the Concord Regional Technology Center's Criminal Justice Program at Concord High with mock oral boards (interviews). This assisted the class with learning the process of interviews in the future.

## SRO (School Resource Officer) Update

Officer Carpenter attended a week long training for Basic School Resource Officer. This was sponsored by the National Association of School Resource Officers. NASRO is dedicated to providing the highest quality of training to school-based law enforcement officers to promote safer schools and safer children. NASRO is the world's leader in

school-based policing.

### **Burglary Solved**

Officer Buchanan investigated a home burglary on Deer Run Road. This was followed by a Search Warrant of a residence in Pembroke which lead to the discovery of multiple stolen items from Bow and surrounding towns. Great police work by Lt. Hayes, Det./Sgt. Blanchette, and Officers Buchanan, Goodacre and Carpenter who assisted in one way or another to solve this case.

## **Safety Center Thanks**

The entire Police Department would like the thank the citizens of Bow for the Safety Center. We moved in on June 5th and are 100% functional at our Safety Center. The PD wants to invite the Town to the Open House on July 13th from 4-7pm where we will give guided tours to show off our new home.

# **Parks and Recreation Department**

We are in full swing with Summer here at Bow Rec! Summer Camp is off to a great start with terrific counselors and awesome campers!

Looking for something fun to do this month? Join us for Tennis Lessons, Yoga Classes, Dance Camp, Archery Camp, Nature Walks/Hikes, Boot Camp, Teen Fit Camp and Ultimate Frisbee. No experience needed in any of our classes/programs. Summer sessions tend to be shorter; it's a great time to give a class a try.

Bow Recreation, in conjunction with the NH Parks & Recreation Association, is excited to offer discount tickets to the following attractions (for our Bow residents only). Purchase your tickets at Bow Recreation and SAVE a significant amount of money and time at the gate! Stop by our office to purchase tickets or call (603) 228-2222 for more information. Tickets are limited.

Funtown Splashtown, Saco ME (48" and taller) - \$30
At the gate you would pay \$39 – you save \$9!

Water Country, Portsmouth, NH (48" and taller) - \$35

At the gate you would pay \$44.99 – you save \$9.99!

**Six Flags New England (General Admission) - \$38** At the gate you would pay \$59.99 – you save \$21.99!

## Attitash Mountain Resort, Bartlett, NH

48" & taller \$43 – at the gate you would pay \$49 – you save \$6! Under 48" \$18 – at the gate you would pay \$25 – you save \$7!

## **Bromley Mountain, Peru, Vermont**

48" tall and up Mountain Adventure passes \$34 – at the gate: \$45 – you save \$11!

Stop and visit us at the Bow Community Building, 3 Bow Center Road, or give us a call at (603) 228-2222. You can also find information on our <u>website page</u>, or like our <u>Facebook page</u>.



Bow Recreation's *Princess Camp* with a special visit from Police Chief Lougee.



Summer road paving in Bow. Photo by Eric Anderson.

# **Public Works Department**

## **Drainage Trouble Helpful Hints**

Determine the source of water concentration. Look upstream and try to reduce the amount of flow by:

- opening a clogged culvert;
- cleaning debris from storm drain covers (sticks, leaves and sand); and
- making multiple "cut out's" with a rake or shovel to reduce the concentration from occurring.

If you are not satisfied with the existing drainage system, make suggestions on how improvements could be made. Keep in mind that any changes may affect people or drainage downstream. If problems still exist contact the Public Works Department for quidance.

## **Highways Division**

Finally the rain subsided and the Highways Division was able to accomplish various road maintenance projects. They installed 700 feet of underdrain on Foote Road and they regraded and grinded, which included road and ditch swales, preparing for paving in the next month, and replacing 38 feet of 15 inch drain pipe on Juniper Drive. They corrected drainage problems on Everett Ave by installing 100 ft of 6 inch perforated pipe. The crew helped at the New Safety Center by re-ditching and adding 4-6 inch rock to help with the drainage. Drainage problems were corrected on White Rock Hill Road by installing 150 feet of 6 inch perforated pipe and ditching the area. With great effort they were able to pave and shoulder Beaver Brook, Old Coach, Surrey Coach, Surrey Lane, Westgate and Hemlock.

Public Works set up and removed all voting paraphernalia for the special election. Noel Gourley attended the Bow Drinking Water Protection Committee meeting, a class on public relations, and took a certification class on Best Management Practices.

All employees were re-certified in the Green SnowPro program (salt application program) sponsored by the state of NH. All and all, I would say the Highways Division were a very busy bunch of employees.

We issued three Driveway Permits and three Excavation Permits, which indicates it is summer weather.

#### **Cemeteries and Grounds Division**

The Cemetery is slowing down with three recent burials and one sale. We received many compliments on how nice the cemetery looked for Memorial Day, thanks to Bryan Westover and Boy Scout Troop 75.

Jake Hawkins, our new temporary grounds helper started on June 19th. He is from Bow, Eliot Berman's son.

### **Public Buildings Division**

The Public Buildings Division had a very busy month with lots of requests for repairs The department employees supported the Police Department by assisting with assembling various shelving and other equipment for their move to the new Safety Center. The department received a very gracious thank you from the Boy Scouts for all the support they received from the Public Works Department for their sponsored yard sale.

# **Recycling and Solid Waste Committee**

#### Save the Date

Bow's Household Hazardous Waste Collection day is Saturday October 7, 2017 from 8:30 AM to 1:00 PM at the Community Building parking lot (3 Bow Center Road).



Here are the winners of the *Earth Day Poster Contest*, sponsored by the Bow Recycling and Solid Waste Committee. Left to right: Ryder M. (Grade K), Aurora C. (Grade K), and Stella D. (Grade 3) with Committee Chair, Sarah Brown. Staff photo.

# **Accepting Nominations for Bow's Boston Post Cane**

#### Who is the oldest resident in town?

A tradition that began out of Boston in 1909 is still being carried out today in Bow, New Hampshire as the Selectmen seek nominees for the oldest resident in town. Nominations will be accepted through Sept. 15th, and the only requirement is that the person must be a resident of Bow for the previous 12 consecutive years. Please nominate a neighbor, loved one, or even yourself! The Selectmen look forward to bestowing an honorary cane and recognition to our oldest resident.

Download a <u>Nomination Form (PDF)</u>. Nomination forms are also available at the Municipal Building, <u>Library</u> and <u>Recreation Department</u>. Or you can call (603) 228-1187 ext. 110 to request a form by mail.

## Nominations accepted through September 15, 2017.



The original Bow Boston Post Cane hangs in Meeting Room A, 10 Grandview Road. Photo by Eric Anderson.

# **Come Out for Summer Voting To Fill the Vacancy in State Senate District 16**

Due to a vacancy in State Senate District 16, we will have a Special Election to fill the vacancy. Mark your calendars and come out for some summer voting!

The Special Election will take place:

Tuesday, July 25, 2017 Bow Memorial School, 20 Bow Center Road 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

View the Candidate Information Packet for Bow Residents (PDF).

Visit the <u>Bow Town Clerk's page</u> for more information, including how to vote by Absentee Ballot, or call them at (603) 228-1187 ext. 3.



Elections held in Bow, 2016. Photo by Eric Anderson.



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